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# GLAD TIDINGS

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FALLS near St. Helena

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## The Love of Christ

O love of Christ, so full, so free,
Enduring as eternity;
Enrich my heart, Thy presence give,
That I may ever in Thee live.
—H.O.F.

# Call to Prayar

A feeling of gratification was felt by many all over the country when it was learned that the Chief Executive of our great nation had declared May 13, Mother's Day, a national day of prayer.

Prayer, to too many of our populace, is considered old-fashioned. So is love, loyalty, and integrity, but who would rise up to say that we have passed the need for these? When these intangibles are lacking, all the tangibles are as dust in worth, and men and nations in such a state are poorer than poverty.

The nation needs prayer, for it needs the answer to prayer. It needs the mercy, grace, and guidance of the Lord of Creation. As an infant nation struggling on a new continent, the recognition of that need was undisputed. In those days, men were men, strong in courage, muscle, and determination, fortified by purpose, and challenged by opportunity and responsibility. Prayer, dependence on the Almighty, faith in God—this the bulwark in the midst of uncertainty, at the time of crisis, and in the hour of problems demanding solution.

The nation needs prayer, for it needs a praying people. The Psalmist wrote: "Happy is that people whose God is the Lord" (Psa. 144:15). "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14:34). While prayer is not synonymous with righteousness, the latter enjoys an easier growth in the soil of the former. In the homes of praying people are to be found qualities favorable for the rearing of children to good citizens. In those same homes are absent the conditions that produce the delinquent. If the home suffers that tragedy, it is due to influences outside the home.

As individuals we cannot sway the nation, however ardently we may try, but we can elect to be among the praying people of the land.

We were happy to see the Head of the Nation designate a day of prayer and thanksgiving; thanksgiving that part of the war is over, and prayer that it all will be over as soon as possible; thanksgiving that many will be returning to their homes, and prayer for the loved ones of those who will never return to their homes.

The day of prayer was a blessing, a blessing for the day itself, and for the days to come. We believe God hears and answers prayer. That prayer that day was not in vain, and the fact we had it was profitable, profitable for those who prayed, for those prayed for, and those who forgot to pray, for what is good for our country is good for all of us.

"Men ought always to pray," said the Apostle Paul. Let us remember those words, Full Gospel people. We see the need for revival. Let us continue to pray for revival as we join with others to pray for the needs of a sorely bruised world, war-torn and weary, and perplexed with grave problems. "What the world needs is Jesus, just a glimpse of Him."

#### The Scrap Heap (From Christian Digest)

A Christian blacksmith who had a great deal of affliction was challenged by an unbeliever to account for it. His explanation was this: "I don't know that I can account for these things to your satisfaction, but I think I can to my own. I am a blacksmith. I often take a piece of iron and put it into the fire and bring it to a white heat. Then I put it on the anvil and strike it once or twice to see if it will take temper. If I think it will, I plunge it into the water, and suddenly change the temperature. Then I put it into the fire again and again I put it in the water. This I repeat several times.

"Then I put it on the anvil and hammer it, and blend it, and rasp and file it, and make some useful article which will do service for twenty-five

"If, however, when I first strike it on the anvil it will not take temper, I throw it into the scrap heap and sell it at halfpenny a pound. I believe my God and Father has been testing me to see if I will take temper. He has put me into the fire and into the water. I have tried to bear it as patiently as I could, and my daily prayer has been, 'Lord, put me into the fire if You will; put me into the water if You think I need it; do anything you please, O God, only don't throw me into the scrap heap!'"

Faith and Reason

An old writer says: Faith and Reason may be compared to two travelers; Faith is like a man in full health, who can walk his twenty to thirty miles at a time without suffering; Reason is like a child, who can only, with difficulty, accomplish three or four miles. "Well," says this old writer, "on a given day Reason says to Faith, 'O good Faith, let me walk with thee.' Faith replies, 'O Reason, thou canst never walk with me!' However, to try their paces, they set out together, but they soon find it hard to keep company. When they come to a deep river, Reason says, 'I can never ford this,' but Faith wades through it singing. When they reach a lofty mountain, there is the same exclamation of despair; and in such cases, Faith, in order not to leave Reason behind, is obliged to carry him on his back; and," adds the writer, "oh! what a luggage is Reason to Faith!"

There are certain birds seen at Constantinople which are said to be always on the wing. No one ever saw them rest, but they are forever poised in mid-air. The natives call them "lost souls," seeking rest and finding none. How like the men who have no gospel to rest upon, but who change their creed from week to week, listening to every voice but the voice of God.—The Sunday Circle.

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I am not the driver of a garbage truck nor a photographer of sordid spots nor the prober of abcesses. One does not have to be these to say that youth today stands aghast in the most confusing, despairing, bewildering, critical hour in the world's history.

Nations have tobogganed into chaos! There has been a subtle infiltration of ideas into the classrooms of our high schools and colleges across America, denying the fundamental truths of our forefathers, at Christian taxpayers' expense. The harvest of this seed can be seen in the revival of paganism, modernism, and atheism before our eyes.

It is time for every young red-blooded Christ's Ambassador to raise up a standard against this sweeping tidal wave of demon-inspired hell that has broken loose on the home front.

In this critical hour of storm and shipwreck we C.A.'s can understand the desperation of Elijah of old, God's prophet of fire, in an apostate day when the spiritual whirlwinds whipped the desert of men's souls, as he cried, "The children of Israel have forsaken the covenant, thrown down thine altar and slain thy prophets-and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life to take it.'

It has been said, "Scientifically the world is round; but spiritually the world is flat, and never so flat and morally bankrupt as today." The moral night deepens. The clock of time has struck "sex o'clock." O, watchman, what of the night? Mars, the world's most cruel tyrant, marches on with bloody boots, tying crepe to millions of door knobs. If all the sighs and sobs in this critical hour could be gathered in one place, they would make a noise like a mad tornado that could sweep the earth, toppling cities before it.

Roger Babson, front-page statistician, recently said, "I can see greater chaos, and economic and moral ruin coming in upon us as clearly as the wisemen saw the star over Bethlehem, and nothing but a mighty spiritual revival can save us from certain doom."

Why did God permit me to live in such a critical hour as this? Can I stop this "black snow" or cause the spiritual mercury to rise? Can I stem this mad stampede of souls to hell?

I believe God's answer to this moral night and spiritual Sahara Desert, stream-lined apostate religion, is 150,000 Pentecostal Christ's Ambassadors ablaze

## Youth in This Critical Hour

by PAUL PIPKIN



Esther 4:14-"And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

with the fire of God! The greater than King David, the Captain of our salva-tion is calling, "Who will rise up for me against the evil doers? Or who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?" Ps. 94:16.

Spurgeon said, "We shall not see any great change until we have some men in our ranks who are willing to be martyrs. That deep ditch can never be crossed until the bodies of a few of us shall fill it up." What of the mockings and scoffings against Pentecost! Rotten tomatoes and eggs thrown at us are only the manure of Pentecost, the best thing in the world to make it grow. Let the world throw on as fast as they will. Let Christian youth swell that mighty chorus of ten million martyrs before us. "Oh, Jesus, I will rise up for you against evil-doers. I will stand up for you against the workers of iniquity."

Let us be clothed with pure white linen in lip and life, blitz modern Babylon, and take our generation for Christ. "Christ for All and All for Christ" must forever be our motto. We shall not falter in this critical hour. We must abhor that which is evil, and cleave to that

which is good.

In poetry and drama the world looks to Shakespeare; in astronomy, to Hershel: in chemistry, to Levoisier; in music, to Beethoven; but in all matters of life and death, of duty, destiny, and eternity, men must look to the Lamb of God.

Here's where we come in as Ambassadors for Christ, in the most important role a mortal can play in this critical hour. We have been saved and anointed for such an hour as this.

Russia needs Christ more than bombers and tanks. Germany and Japan need the city-shaking gospel of the Bible more than blockbusting bombs. America needs strong, prevailing, believing prayer more than a new political deal in this critical hour. The hope of the world lies not in shedding the blood of men, but in the blood of Christ. Accept His blood or you shall shed your own, has been the tragic story of the last nineteen centuries. The Christ of the Cross alone can unite the nations for lasting peace. He is the wisest and strongest force in existence.

Marshal Joseph Stalin based his hope of revolution upon aroused youth, and soon the Red Square in Moscow was thronged with massed Russian youth shouting, "We are changing the world!"

No one would doubt this world needs changing as we behold the holocaust sweeping over the planet. It resembles a fuming volcano belching forth death and chaos over helpless humanity. Unprecedented hurricanes, fearful earthquakes, smashing tornadoes, and angry floodwaters have hurled their destructive powers over the earth. Thundering black clouds of wrath and judgment hover on the horizon.

What Fascism and Nazism could not do, Christ can do. What our scientists could not do, Christ can do. What Presidents and Congress could not do, Christ can do. What our theology and preaching cannot do, Christ can do. Christ is indispensable to world change, for He is more powerful than any army that has marched, or navy that has sailed the seas, dictator, or king that has reigned. Christ alone can change the moral night into beautiful day, the bloody boots of Mars to the gospel of peace, and calm the troubled sea of men's souls in a victorious eternal jubilee. Rev. 21:4-"God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." It is time for this change!

Dr. Graham Scroggie of London once said, "There was only one occasion in the Scriptures when God was in a hurry and that was when He ran to meet His

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WERY interesting guests in G.T.B.I. of the past few days have been two of our missionaries, Sisters Rena Baldwin and Blanche Appleby, recently repatriated after spending three and a half years under Japanese domination in the Philippines. Twice during that time they were interned, the second time in the famous, rather infamous, Los Banos prison camp, and were there at the time of its deliverance by our American soldiers and Filipino guerillas. The Japanese commandant, when he learned that the American forces were only 25 miles away, ordered that all the prisoners be shot at the morning roll call, that none of them were to be rescued. As the hour of roll call approached, and they were being ordered outside for the slaughter, they looked and saw the paratroopers dropping in upon them. What a welcome sight, the nightmare was ending, deliverance had finally come.

After having already served on the mission field in China, Sisters Appleby and Baldwin went to the Philippines as missionaries April 15, 1941. When the war began they were teaching in the Bible school in Baguio in northern Luzon, a spot recently in the headline news of our daily papers.

War had not been long in progress when the Jap military arrived in Baguio and interned all foreigners on December 27, 1941. Our sisters, with the other missionaries were interned in Camp John Hay near Baguio.

On January 30, 1942, those missionaries whose mission station was Baguio, and who were not there as refugees, about 20 in number, were released to return to their homes. The enemy can hardly be given the credit for being magnanimous, but it was thought that as the unrest among the Filipinos was a serious matter, that the presence of the missionaries in their midst would be a quieting influence. So the missionaries were told, "Go home, preach the gospel, but stay out of politics." This mandate did not include the privilege of holding public services. They were just to mingle with the people and to bring them assurance by their presence.

Only the Filipino student pastor was permitted to do the public preaching, and he had to give a gist of his messages in English to the Japanese in charge of religious affairs. Our sisters, Brother and Sister Leland Johnson, and other Assembly of God missionaries, could

# Out of Internment

help in the public ministry only by their presence and with music. Their gospel work was confined to their aid of the young pastor and personal contact with the people. They did hold tarrying meetings in the home. About a dozen believers received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, several were saved, several healed, and Bible teaching continued in the home.

Food was limited and very expensive, making living conditions a greater problem as the months went by. With the help of Filipino friends they managed to carry on not too uncomfortably.

The pressure increased as time went on until November 1942 all of the released missionaries were ordered reinterned. Though they registered as ordered, somehow the Jap authorities overlooked Sisters Baldwin and Appleby who were living in their home on a quiet street. They were packed and ready to go, but the arm of the law failed to reach out and take them, and they found themselves strangely lost to the enemy. Those over 70 years of age were not to be interned, but were to wear armbands with the Japanese character for "American" on them. But here were our sisters, not taken into internment, and without the issued armbands. The longer they waited for the authorities to come to transport them to camp, the more fearful they became that they would be arrested if they were to make themselves known. So they remained in their home, ironically "free" and yet prisoners of a peculiar circumstance. Too young to be out of internment, and without the armbands of the elder Americans who had to wear the badge of foreigner when on the street, their position was entirely insecure. Though greatly restricted, not daring to be seen on the streets, they had the opportunity to continue their ministry, inasmuch as in the same house were the Filipino pastor and his sister, and the people came to the home for counsel and help. The chapel was just around the corner, and the trip to and from it so short that the Japanese never did discover their presence. The native Filipinos at no time felt obliged to inform the authorities; so the situation remained unchanged for over two years.

During this time one young man, a confirmed gambler, was wonderfully saved, sought the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and was called to the ministry. The little war-restricted assembly in Baguio sent him to the short-term Bible school opened in the lowlands by Pastors Alcantra and Esperanza, Filipino national ministers.

Released Filipino war prisoners, Filipino soldiers captured at the time of the fall of Bataan, were brought to Baguio before being fully released to return to their homes. While detained in Baguio, they were allowed a certain amount of freedom. This freedom many of them used to visit the homes of the Christians and the pastor. This, of course, gave another opportunity to Sisters Baldwin and Appleby to minister the gospel to them also. They entertained many of them at breakfast and other meals, doing what they could to supplement the meager food allowance provided by the Japanese. Many of these released prisoners were saved, and carried with them to their homes over the island of Luzon the gospel story that when believed sets the souls of men free and brings glory to

This slip-up on the part of the Japanese was inconsequential so far as politics and government is concerned, but who can make light of the spiritual consequences which may well have spread over the islands in the Christian lives of many converts.

In the general check-up, when another call was made for all foreigners to register, our sisters registered and received the necessary armbands for identification when on the public streets. They were then able at last to go twice a week to the market place to shop.

Shopping was a trying problem. Oh, yes, we know all about it here in this country—in the land of plentiful money and price ceilings! Well, we do have ration points and some food scarcities—and of essentials—such things as a large portion of the world considers luxuries, if, indeed, they have ever become conscious of them, for circumstance has prohibited their even becoming acquainted with their existence.

Out in the Philippines, our missionary friends, in the short time of liberty to appear in public, did their shopping under different conditions. Food scarc-

ity, inflation, and dwindling resources are a combination that at last strips one of nearly all possessions. They sold bedding, clothes, and other items to get money to make the food purchases, to get the food to share with others such as the released native soldiers from Bataan. When there was nothing left to sell, local friends, Filipinos and others who were able, loaned them money to buy food-money that one day must be paid back. The Japs, of course, also controlled the wood, the securing of which offered a grave problem which was solved only by the faithfulness of the Filipino friends.

Then came the day of re-internment. On July 7, 1944, a general proclamation, given by the high command for all the Philippines, was made that all American, British, and Dutch missionaries, regardless of age (the only exception being those in hospitals too ill to be moved) should be interned. It seems that this re-internment was a providence of God. Those outside, who were left in the cities, were subject to bombings and starvation.

This time internment was in Los Banos prison camp in a grass-grown pasture land 40 miles southeast of Manila. From July 8 to February 23, 1945, life in Los Banos as guests of the Japanese grew harder and harder, and the hold on the silver thread became more precarious daily.

The interned civilians were not placed in prison cells as were the captured military personnel, but life was not intended to be comfortable for them. Families lived in small cubicles. Single people lived in long barracks, the men in theirs and the women in theirs. The men went out under armed guard to cut the wood. They stoked the fires, did the gardening, prepared the coconuts while they had them, and did the cooking in the common kitchen in which all food was prepared. The women's job was cleaning rice, picking out the rocks, worms, and other refuse. Many of them suffer impaired sight today because of malnutrition and the long tedious task of looking at white rice for hours each day. They also prepared the sweet potatoes which were very dirty from that particular soil, and oftentimes very wormy.

The menus did not offer any problem of choice in selection. For breakfast there was either rice or corn gruel with coconut milk. The noon meal was rice and mongo beans. The evening meal offered either rice or sweet potatoes (never both) with a vegetable, and occasional meat stew, very occasionally pork or carabao. For a while a canteen in the camp afforded a place where could be bought eggs, bananas, coconuts, dried beans, and occasionally, sugar—all at very high prices.

On September 21 when the American forces bombed Manila, the then bad situation became gravely worse. There was a change in personnel, and the program of planned starvation was instituted. The amount of food became less and less; they were cut to two meals a day. The food consisted of musty wormeaten corn, and then they were given short weight on the meager amount allotted. They were absolutely without sugar, and sometimes without salt. Toward the last the chief diet was wormy corn or rice gruel which was one- to twothirds water. The prisoners supplemented this diet with edible weeds, banana peelings, and slugs. With fast dwindling strength those who could went out to pick the thorny pigweed within the barbed-wire enclosure. It was not easy with little strength to be out in the heat looking for the little weed, getting a little here and a little there. Clothes were worn out, there was

a scarcity of water, and over 80% of the camp were suffering from malnutrition. Toward the end there were deaths daily from starvation.

The planned starvation was fast taking its toll. Machine guns were about to do the rest at the orders of the Jap commandant, when at the last moment Yank parachutes began to blossom overhead, and down came the doughboys, in came the Amtracks and the guerillas, sent in early in case such a scheme might be concocted in the brain of the enemy at bay.

There was unbounded joy that morning in Los Banos. The hour planned for carnage had become an hour of rejoicing.

Now for the long struggle back to health and general readjustment. With the help of our Uncle Sam and the American Red Cross, the march to normalcy began. Families and friends take over from now on. Let the rest of us do what we can and remember in prayer those who have suffered. Remember to pray for the work the missionaries left behind, not to disintegrate, but to be carried on by the Filipinos themselves, and again one day soon with the help of new missionaries who are called to give their service for the Master in the Philippines.

#### Critical Hour-

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returning prodigal son and fell on his neck and kissed him." This world of ours is a prodigal world, spiritually hungry, clothed in tattered, bloody uniforms, feeding on the husks of sin; and God is in a hurry to change their rags to a beautiful robe of His righteousness, those tears to joy, and the diet of husks to a feast on the living bread.

I can remember of another time when God was in a hurry and that was when Peter was preaching that magnificent sermon in Cornelius' house. Right in the middle of his sermon—suddenly—the Holy Spirit fell on all those who were hearing the word. Peter stopped preaching, for God was in a hurry to fall upon the Gentiles and fill them with the power of the Holy Ghost.

God still is in a desperate hurry to baptize every one of His ambassadors with this unique and special anointing that will enable them and make them competent for the challenge youth faces in this critical hour. If not to this mighty baptism of power, to what will this poor, prodigal, heart-saddened, sin-smitten, war-weary world return? They're coming home, yes, millions of the sons and daughters of the world, but to what? Will it be to bombed cities, sin-blasted homes, fireless pulpits, spiritless pews?

C.A.'s, the zero hour is here. Our "D" Day and "H" Hour is at hand. We must be baptized into the very disposition Jesus, and saturated with the Spirit of the Father going to meet his son. We have the message and the power, and before us is a war-torn, sin-saturated, blood-soaked, tear-stained world, scarred in body and spirit, so let us hold up the warmth of the "new robe," the "ring of adoption," the "shoes of peace," the "feast of joy," and the "home of the soul." Who knoweth but what Pentecostal youth is come to the kingdom for such a time as this!

### Introducing the Presbyter of the . . .

### Nevada District

William Savidge was born in the Hawaiian Islands in the city of Hono-

William Savidge

lulu on September 5, 1904. At eleven years of age he came to San Francisco where he made his home for many

Mrs. Savidge had moved, with her family, from Massachusetts to San Francisco, where they met and were married.

Brother Savidge was converted in old

Glad Tidings on December 27, 1923. He and his good wife attended Bible school together and at the same time were raising a family. They attended Simpson Bible Institute in Seattle in 1924 and 1925.

They opened a Pentecostal work in Daly City in 1930 and pastored it for a year. Eleven received the baptism of the Holy Spirit the first two weeks, though the pastor himself at that time had not yet had the experience. They then took their last year of Bible school work in Glad Tidings Bible Institute, graduating with the class of 1932.

After finishing in Glad Tidings they took the church in Redwood City where they stayed for two years and during that time brought the church into the Council.

From Redwood City they went to North Dakota, and Brother Savidge was

the pastor in Minot for over a year. Because of the health of one of the members of the family, he brought the family back to California, and became the pastor in Eureka. During the year and a half that they were there, the Lord blessed them through a trying period in the church, and while they lived there the twins were born. They are identical twins. Some of us on the outside wonder if the parents aren't just a bit optimistic when they seem to tell them apart so easily.

In January 1938 he accepted the call to return to the Redwood City church where they remained for nearly five vears. Because of the illness of the oldest girl, they resigned and went to a

different climate.

In 1942 he became the pastor in Oroville, and was made the presbyter of the Northern Sacramento Valley section. He resigned as pastor and presbyter to accept the pastorate in Reno, Nevada in 1943.

During the ministry there, the church has been completely renovated inside, the mortgage on the property has been paid off, and the church as a whole has prospered. At the time of the Nevada district fellowship meeting held there on May 7 the mortgage was burned in a special ceremony and celebration. At one time the church was helped by home missions support, but today it is debt-free and in good condition with a property worth over \$10,000.

Brother Savidge has been serving as presbyter of the Nevada district since arriving in Reno in 1943. He has also

been a member of the Home Missions Committee and interested in the developing of the program for spreading the full gospel message in Nevada. Recent report has just reached the office that he has been chosen again as District Presbyter to serve during the 1945-46 Council year.

Sister Savidge is also an ordained minister and has been working with her husband in the ministry from Bible school days on up to the present. They have a family of five. The oldest son is at present in Stanford in the Army Special Training Reserve Program. The two boys, the eldest children, were of great help with their music, on violin and cello, on their father's radio program over Station KOH, the "Glad Tidings" hour which was on the air for some time. The three younger children are daughters, Ruthmary, and the twins who cause some of us to think we are seeing double.

May the hand of the Lord continue to rest upon this family as they serve

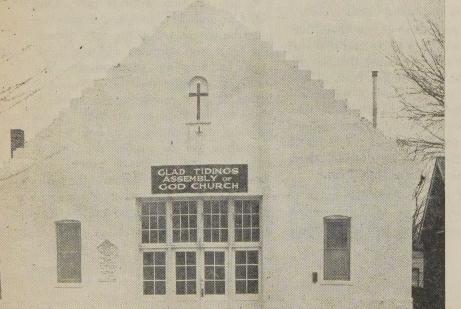
#### Youth for Christ Rallies

On March 22 a Youth for Christ rally, sponsored by the Santa Cruz Ministerial Union, was held in the civic auditorium of that city. It was conducted by C. A. Vice-president and Mrs. Paul Pipkin. Featured on the program was the good music of Glad Tidings Radio Choir of G.T.B.I. under the direction of Gaylord Atwell. The male quarters of the conducted of the conduc tet and the trio also shared in the presentation of the music.

In spite of rain, the rally drew an estimated crowd of 1000 people. At the close of the message on "God's Challenge to Youth," given by Evangelist Pipkin, 60 hands were raised signifying a desire for salvation.

Pastor Thomas Custock of Chabot Terrace in Vallejo, reports:

"During the first week of the Youth Crusade, conducted by C.A. Vice-president and Mrs. Paul Pipkin, 31 young people knelt at the altar for salvation. The revival is still on. In conjunction with the youth revival, a hall has been rented on the busiest street in Vallejo, and a large canvas sign has been stretched across the main street announcing a city-wide Youth for Christ rally. Most of the evangelical churches in the city co-operated in the very first rally, filling the large Golden State Hall nearly to capacity. It was a very inspiring sight, as Brother Pipkin made the altar call, to see many hands being raised for salvation. This effort is costing many dollars and is taking much work. Please pray for the success of this new venture to reach youth for Christ."



The Reno Church

## News From Here and There

By ALBERT J. LEBECK, Field Reporter :-: 2622 W Street :-: Sacramento, California

AUBURN—After serving nearly five years as pastor of the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Brother Maurice H. Luce has resigned to enter one of the Bible schools in Southern California. His successor has not yet been chosen

BENICIA—Evangelist M. T. Draper began a revival campaign with Pastor R. E. Ray on May 6. Early reports of the meetings are good; the Lord is blessing and souls are being saved.

CAMPBELL — Evangelist Howard May started meetings on May 1 with Pastor H. L. Johnson

CENTRAL VALLEY—The North Sacramento Valley fellowship meeting was held there April 30. Pastor Glenn Akers of Sterling City brought the afternoon message. The evening speaker was Evangelist Charlotte Rogers of the Kansas District, who was holding a campaign there with Pastor Joe H. Harper, who reports they had a revival with the Lord's blessing in the midst saving souls and filling believers with the Holy Spirit.

CHOWCHILLA-Monday, April 30, was a great day for the new church in Chowchilla. At that time the new building, though not yet completed, was dedicated as a house of the Lord. Superintendent W. T. Gaston was the speaker at the evening service and dedicated the church. Evangelist J. F. Garland who has been holding a very good evangelistic meeting for the past several weeks, spoke at the afternoon service. An evening meal was served between the services to 163 guests in the Presbyterian Social Hall. Over 500, including 50 ministers, were in attendance for the evening service. An offering of over \$400 was received on that occasion. That amount, together with a contribution from our Home Missions fund, makes possible the early completion of the building which was intended to be used for some time uncompleted. Pastor R. E. Henke and people are rejoicing in the blessings of the Lord upon the revival campaign in which a number were saved.

EL CERRITO—In the third week of the revival meetings held by Evangelist Walter Smith, Pastor L. H. Rogers reported several saved, several had been definitely healed, and a number had received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and there were 231 in Sun-

day School.

ELKO, NEVADA—Pastor Bernard Tewell reports having a very good meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. B. C. Finfrock from April 4 to 29. Two received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, several sought the Lord's salvation, and a number attended meetings at the tabernacle for the first time. On the closing Sunday afternoon 10 were baptized in water in the Municipal Pool.

EUREKA—The day long looked for by the church finally came on May 6 when they celebrated the mortgage-burning ceremony. All debts of the church have been met, and the Lord's blessing is resting upon the church; so there is much rejoicing on the part of the pastor and people. Brother T. B. Don Carlos held a week's meeting following the mortgage burning. J. W. Belchar is the pastor. GREENVILLE—Sister Bernice Mast and

GREENVILLE—Sister Bernice Mast and her co-worker, Oleta Webb, held a meeting especially in the interest of young people for Pastor E. A. (Pete) North from April 22 to 29.

HALF MOON BAY—Brother L. A. Dodson is the new pastor, succeeding Sister Emmy M. Pearson.

HAYWARD — The East Bay fellowship meeting was held there May 7. Pastor Otto Schmidt of Martinez was the speaker in the afternoon meeting. Brother O. L. Foth preached at the evening service. During the service, Sister R. A. Wilson, presented Brother and Sister Foth with gifts given by the churches of the East Bay assemblies to these new missionaries soon leaving for the mission field in South India.

The church mortgage was burned with special observance on Easter Sunday. Evangelist P. E. Robertson held a three-day meeting there recently. During the absence of Pastor and Mrs. Pirtle away on vacation in May, Evangelist Bruce York occupied the pulpit on Sundays, and Brother Henry Gill and Brother John Martin took charge of the mid-week services.

LINCOLN — Evangelist Mark Hinman was the speaker at the C.A. rally held there on May 15. Brother Hinman is the brother of Nelson Hinman, pastor of Bethel Temple, Sacramento. Julia Peterson and Ruth Berten-

shaw are pastors in Lincoln.

LODI—Pastor Stanley P. McPherson has resigned to re-enter the evangelistic field the latter part of July. Superintendent W. T. Gaston was the afternoon speaker at the North San Joaquin fellowship meeting held there May 7. Pastor Nelson Hinman of Sacramento was the evening speaker. In the business meeting held that day Pastor Byron League was nominated by the section to be the district presbyter. Brother D. G. Weston, who has been the presbyter, withdrew his name after the nomination ballot.

LOS BANOS-Evangelist and Mrs. E. Wm. Anderson began evangelistic meetings there May 20, the meetings to run three weeks or longer. Pastor Arthur Lindvall has

resigned recently.

MADERA—Ábout 10 were at the altar for salvation, the Sunday school attendance increased, and the church was greatly blessed during the special meetings conducted by Brother Earl F. Davis in April. There were 12 baptized the following Sunday in the baptistry which had been decorated by Sister Davis during the meetings. T. E. Woods is the pastor. The sectional C. A. rally was held in Madera on April 9. The young people from Turlock had the greater number present and received the picture drawn by Sister Davis. Souls were at the altar for salvation at the close of the message brought by Brother Earl F. Davis.

MERCED-The South San Joaquin fellow-

ship meeting was held there April 18. Brother P. C Tacker gave the afternoon message. The evening speaker was Brother T. E. Woods. The Lord's blessing was upon both services. Pastor J. E. Schmidt reports a very successful revival meeting with Evangelist Elwin Argue of Canada. Many were saved, 14 were filled with the Spirit, and 16 followed the Lord in water baptism.

MONTE VISTA – During the week's meetings Evangelist T. B. Don Carlos held there recently, four were saved and two were baptized in the Holy Ghost. At that time \$260 more was received for the building of the new church. A 30 x 60 basement is already started and plans are under way for the construction of the building. The Lord is blessing and prospering as the people catch the vision and work in His service.

NORTH SACRAMENTO—The building has been moved to Rio Linda Boulevard, and services are now being held in it. Sunday school rooms will be added as soon as possible. Evangelist Floyd Taylor held two weeks of meetings in the early spring. Evangelist D. L. Brown began a meeting in the new location on April 29.

OAKLAND (Church of Gospel Light)— Evangelist Paul Pipkin will hold meetings for Pastor I. F. Ford from June 10 to 24.

OAKLAND (Calvary Temple)—The church formerly known as Tabernacle of God is now to be known as Assembly of God Calvary Temple. It will soon be settled in the new location on E. 14th Street between 61st and 62nd Avenues. V. Ernest Shores is

the pastor.

OAKLAND (First Church)—Pastor C. F. Ferguson reports: "Evangelist John H. Bostrom was with us April 3 to 29. God blessed his ministry among us. Souls were saved, and there were some definite healings. The instruction classes on 'More Effective Soul Winning' each evening, preceding the evangelistic service, were helpful to the church. Souls are being saved in the regular service now, and there is evidence of abiding benefits from the meetings."

PORTOLA—Evangelist and Mrs. Tom B. Myers of Bakersfield held a good two weeks meeting there in April, reports Pastor V. T.

Eldridge

REDDING—Pastor R. T. Doherty is expanding the Sunday school accommodations of the church in Redding. They are building a 32 x 36 addition which will give them 10 more classrooms. The Sunday school has reached an attendance of 120, and they are working for 200. Evangelists T. G. Jackson and E. J. Holmes began a meeting there the

latter part of May.

RENO, NEVADA—The May fellowship meeting of the Nevada section was held in Reno on the 7th. The church was well filled for both services. Pastor H. G. Rannells of Hawthorne, Nevada, preached the afternoon sermon, and Evangelist F. Wesley Pope, then holding meetings in Reno, was the evening speaker. The church mortgage was burned during the evening service. Brother S. H. Robertson, the former pastor was present, and he, with Brother William Savidge, the present pastor, gave the highlights of the

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#### Servicemen's Work Progresses

From the southern part of the state, where he has been spending several weeks, Brother Victor Sanderson sent word of the progress of the servicemen's work in that section. He wrote:

"We have a Victory Service Center in Long Beach, California, where hundreds of servicemen pass through daily. Some of the Southern District churches hold meetings nightly for these men, and hundreds of them are being won to the Lord.

"Brother Watson T. Moore, who is also with the Servicemen's Department, has been visiting our centers and has been teaching personal work with very good results. Some who thought they never could win souls have been taught how easy it can be, and they have led many of the servicemen to the Lord.

"We invite the servicemen to let us put their names on our national prayer list, and also on our mailing list so that we may send them a monthly letter. We have also just recently built two inquiry rooms to which they are invited by the workers. When they accept the invitation, we are able to show many of them that they can have a present-tense, knowso salvation. Over one week end around 45 were led to the Lord in these rooms.

"The Servicemen's Department has taken over a center in San Pedro where Brother and Sister Fuller have labored successfully for the past six years, winning many boys to Christ. This is another wonderful location and opportunity to win servicemen, as San Pedro is the home of the Pacific Fleet."

Please pray for us, that God will enable us to win more of these boys to the Lord. The harvest is ripe with youth. This month, several thousand were contacted with Reveille as troop trains brought them into San Francisco where they go aboard ships leaving for parts unknown to them. The seed is sown in many hearts. Also, there are boys being shipped back from the battle zones, wounded and despondent. Many of these have been visited and told of Jesus the healer of sin-sick souls and broken bodies; and, thank God, many of them accept Him as we minister to them at their bedsides. Do bear us up in prayer, as we need power with men and power with God to be the witness for Him we ought to be.

VICTOR A. SANDERSON, Representative of Servicemen's Dept. W.M.C.! Come to the "Nien Hui"!

You will enjoy it!

The Women's Missionary Council will be hostess to a group of missionaries from China at a "Nien Hui" (pronounced something like "Ne-yen Whey"). The Chinese-language students from the University of California will be our guests at camp this year and several will be speaking at each morning service in the tabernacle during the first week of camp meeting. There will be speakers from North and South China, Manchuria, the Tibetan Border, missionaries who were prisoners in concentration camps and visiting missionaries from other countries than China. Brother and Sister John Kennedy from Africa are among the number expected. These missionaries will not only tell us of their varied experiences and labors but will also feed us from the Word of God which has been made life to them as they have learned to trust Him in the hard places.

The regular W.M.C. meetings held each year will be dismissed the first week of camp but will be held in the St. Helena Church building each afternoon at one o'clock the second week. Home missions will be stressed at these

meetings.

MRS. R. J. THURMOND, Director. The Women's Missionary Councils of the East Bay district helped generously toward the needs of Brother and Sister Oliver Foth who are leaving for India soon.

Evangelist

Evangelist H. T. Langley, for over six years pastor of the church at Sixth and G Streets, in Modesto, can be contacted at P.O. Box 111, Bell, California, if you want a good old-fashioned meeting. Brother and Sister Langley did a good work for the Lord in Modesto, and need no introduction to our District.

Organ Wanted

Pastor and Mrs. E. M. Johnson of the Sunset Gospel Tabernacle in San Francisco would like very much to have an organ, and would appreciate the generosity and kindness of anyone who has one to lend or donate for use in this new gospel work in San Francisco's Sunset District. If you wish to help in this need, write the pastor at 3401 Irving St., San Francisco, or phone Montrose 3909.

Indian Camp Meeting

The annual Indian camp meeting will be held in Covelo again this year from July 1 through July 8. The opening rally will be held Saturday evening, June 30. Mrs. Mildred Charles, pastor of the Indian work in Covelo, will be in charge of the meeting. Evangelist T. B. Don Carlos will be the main speaker, speaking every evening.

#### With the Lord

Sister Carrie A. Silva, widow of the late Joseph A. Silva, for many years pastor of the Portuguese work in San lose, passed on to be with her Lord, April 6, 1945. At the time of her death she had reached the age of 80 years, 6 months, and 19 days. For many years she had worked at her husband's side as he carried on his work of the ministry, and was known as the spiritual mother of many Spanish and Portuguese converts. Through their efforts over a period of years many churches were established in California for the evangelization of the Portuguese and Spanish people. Sister Silva was the aunt of our Sister Jennison, formerly of Menlo Park. Our sympathy is extended to the loved ones in this time of loss.

#### Feast of Pentecost

An intergroup Pentecostal fellowship gathering, known as a Feast of Pentecost, was held in Asilomar from May 14 to 20. It was attended by nine different Pentecostal congregations of the Monterey Peninsula area, and was a time of Christian fellowship and spiritual blessing as the groups of different Pentecostal organizations met together to worship and seek the face of God together. The meeting was well attended and considered blessed and profitable by all who were there. The various pastors who were present were the speakers at the services. District Secretary R. J. Thurmond was the speaker on the concluding day, Sunday, May 20. It is believed that the gathering cemented a bond of fellowship of Pentecostal peoples of that area.

John and Daisy Kennedy, missionaries to West Africa, are home on furlough and will arrive in the District in time for the camp meeting. They will be open for meetings on an itinerary over the District after that time.

# The District Council

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#### The Struggle for Unity

By W. T. GASTON

"Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace." (Ephesians 4)

The Apostle Paul had a great passion to see Christians united in spirit. His great soul envisioned a going forward in this spiritual unity "till we all come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

Here is a worthy goal toward which all the saints should earnestly striveunity of the Spirit. We should learn to strive together against sin and Satan, but the strategy of our wily enemy is to stir up civil strife and thus weaken our push against the common enemy. A word from one of the world's greatest mechanics, Robert G. Le Tourneau, will illustrate the point I am seeking to make, and I quote "In mechanics our worst enemy is friction. It is that which causes all the trouble. I'm a mechanic -all I know is machinery. I live it day in and day out. I like powerful machinery, and I like a powerful gospel. I wish I knew as much about the laws of friction between men as I do about the co-efficient of the different materials. The most efficient engine we have today, the diesel motor, converts only about one-third of its potential power into mechanical energy; two-thirds is wasted. Your automobile doesn't do more than half as well-it gives only one-sixth of its potential-and a lot more is lost in transmitting the power to the wheels. Friction is responsible. The railroad steam engine is even worse. Only about one-sixteenth of the potential power of the fuel it consumes is transformed into mechanical power. The other fifteen-sixteenths goes to

Every assembly of God's saints is a potential powerhouse, but all too often there is great waste and lost motion.

And why? The answer is friction. Through heroic labor and sacrifice a church is established. Pulling together, their sphere of influence ever widensuntil friction develops through pride, envy, jealousy, or some other of the ugly spawn of the old arch-enemy of all righteousness. Alas, who has not observed the tragic consequences. New leadership may be brought in, and "the hurt of the daughter of my people healed slightly," but often the trouble breaks out in a new place again to plague and baffle the earnest efforts of sincere workers. Eternity alone will reveal the enormity of the church's loss of power and effectiveness through friction.

Disunity, friction, and warring antagonisms are never rooted in God. They came into human society along with sin through the subtle machinations of a malicious devil. Their source, nature, and effect are ever the same. Let no man think the God of peace is with him when he is doing those things that have the clearly defined earmarks of Satan. "If ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." James 3: 14-18. Would it not be well for each of us, and all of us, to check up on ourselves by this chart given by inspiration through the venerable James?

God is not passive toward discordant elements that gender strife and friction in the ranks of His redeemed army. He has declared war on all war-mongers, and He will never sheathe His sword

#### Schedule of Fellowship Meetings

June 4—Alameda, Modesto (Bethel), Quincy

5—Trinidad

11—Campbell, Covelo, Yuba City

18-Mendota, Pacific Grove, St. Helena.

#### Help Please

Help is needed on the camp ground to finish the improvements of camp facilities before the coming camp meeting. If you can help any time between now and camp time contact Brother R. J. Thurmond. Meals and sleeping accommodations are previded.

June 18 is clean-up day when preparations for the opening of camp are

Your help will be appreiated, and you will enjoy the fellowship.

Calvary Tabernacle in Soledad has a neon sign for sale. It says "Jesus Saves" in letters eight inches high. The original cost of the sign was \$175, but because it isn't serving its intended purpose, it is for sale for \$100. Anyone interested in purchasing the sign should write Pastor Thomas A. Simms, P.O. Box 527, Soledad for particulars.

until Satan and his chief lieutenant, the anti-christ, and all their motley horde of collaborating quisling puppets are sent reeling into everlasting oblivion. What a V day that will be when "in the dispensation of the fullness of times He will gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth, even in Him." Amen!

# Current Signs

A DIGEST OF CURRENT EVENTS BY ALBERT J. LEBECK

#### Europe Peace "Mirage"

Karl Von Wiegand writes:-

"America once again is at the crossroads. World War II is over in Europe. Berlin has fallen. The Red armies have

"Berlin will be the advanced western military, political and ideological capital of the totalitarian Communism of Soviet Russia.

"On a line marked by Rome, Trieste, Vienna and Berlin, two worlds face each other. There is developing a struggle not with arms, but with the arts and weapons of power politics as instruments

of national policy.

"Aggressive Nazism and Fascism has been replaced NOT BY OUR DEMOCRACY but by militant totalitarian Communism with all the immense prestige, influence and power of Stalin and Soviet Russia behind it.

'Germany from the Elbe, will be a Soviet province under Soviet Military control for an unforseeable number of years. Austria will be the Soviet orbit as an 'independent' republic like Romania. Poland, completely surrounded by Red Russia, will be an 'independent' vassal state, whatever the label of the Polish government.

"Well informed diplomatic circles are convinced that Italy, certainly northern Italy, will go over to Communism and become the ally of Moscow as soon as

the Allied armies are gone.

"The smaller European nations are appalled and live in a state of intimi-

"West of the Elbe will be the Anglo-American and French zones, the only barrier against Soviet Russia and its totalitarian Communism.

"The extraordinary Communist leftist gains in the French municipal elections, featured by a 200 per cent gain in Paris, arouse grave misgivings regarding the independence of France.

"It is realized that American occupation will be limited in time. The British may remain longer, but not forever. The Red Army and Soviet Russia will remain, for they are part of the continent. It will be in Moscow's interest to make the Anglo-American occupation as short as possible.

We are inclined to be proud that America and England have 'liberated' the peoples of France, Italy, Germany, Poland, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary and the three one-time Baltic republics.

"The stark truth is that we have liberated them from one dictator and master and delivered them broken, starving, and despairing into the hands of another greater dictator and more powerful

'That is only an outline of the picture in Europe as the war ends."

The prewar official divorce rates are as follows:

Finland	0.34
Sweden	0.54
Norway	0.39
Denmark	
*California	
**California	3.29
* Census Bureau estimate.	

\*\* Home Protective League estimate.

#### FBI Reports Crime Increases

While the battlefronts erupt in violence, the home front erupts in violence, too. Crime is on the upswing. Crime climbs while the fighting men are away. There were more rapes and more assaults in this country in 1944 than in any previous year.

The FBI gives this report of what is

happening every 24 hours:

24 felonious killings

30 rapes

150 aggravated assaults

120 robberies

555 auto thefts

749 burglaries

2176 larcenies

More women-44.6 per cent morewere arrested in 1944 than in any prev-

But-of all the males and females arrested in 1944 the 17-year-olds led all

#### War Cost Passes 275 Billions

The United States Treasury reported today the Government has spent \$275,-703,000,000 on this war, as of May 5.

This included both the German and the Japanese wars. Cost of other wars to the United States was given as fol-

Revolutionary - No dependable estimate available. About \$70,000,000 paid in pensions.

War of 1812-No exact figures available. Unofficial estimate \$133,700,000.

Mexican War-No exact figures available. Unofficial estimate \$166,000,000.

Civil War—In excess of \$15,000,000,-000 including pensions.

War with Spain-In excess of \$2,000,-

000,000 including pensions.

World War I-to June 30, 1921, \$25,-729,000,000. Continuing costs such as pensions, interest, etc., from 1921 to June 30, 1934, have been \$16,036,000,-000. Total to June 30, 1934, was \$41,-654,000,000.

Karl H. Von Wiegand, dean of American foreign correspondents, says, "With the end of the war in Europe, devastated Europe will face four grim dangers of the first magnitude - Starvation, Economic Collapse, Political Chaos, Revolution.

"The year 1945 will not only go into history as the year of Allied victory but also as the year of 'great hunger' in Europe. . . . Never was the outlook in Europe so dark since the middle ages."

The 8th Air Force's public relations staff, in a compilation today, said the force dropped an average of one ton of bombs every minute during the last months of the war against Germany.

Here are some other figures:

Tons of bombs dropped, 701,300, including 531,771 on targets in Germany.

Total number of bombs released, 4,-377,984, plus 27,556,978 four-pound in-

Enemy aircraft destroyed, 18,512; Fighters destroyed, 5,231 in the air and 4,207 on the ground. Bomber gunners destroyed, 6,001 in the air. Another 3,-073 were destroyed on the ground by bombing.

Aircraft dispatched on all types of

operations, 616,900.

United States 8th Air Force today listed 43,742 fighter pilots and bomber

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# Christ's Ambassadors Plan Busy Summer

Mt. Hermon

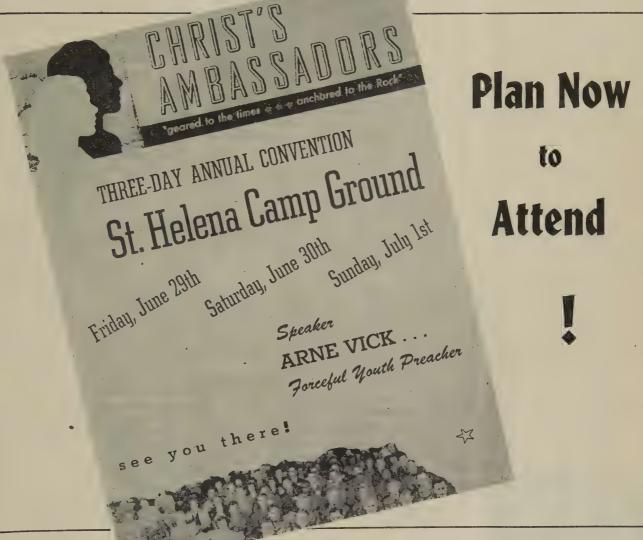
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In looking back over the activities of the past four months at the Victory Service Center, we have much for which to thank God. Through the combined efforts of all the co-operating churches who have been faithful in ministering at the Center, God has helped us to reach many boys with the gospel, and we have seen transformations take place in the hearts of many of them. We cannot estimate the far-reaching influence that has resulted from the impression made upon the minds of the servicemen who have come to the Center.

One needs only to become acquainted with the problems of those in uniform to discover the hunger lying within their hearts. Not only responsibility, but opportunity also is ours as we present to them the glorious truth of the gospel. They need us as much as we need them out in the foxholes and in the swamps of the islands of the Pacific. They are giving themselves to this supreme task. How much more should we be willing to sacrifice ourselves to bring this message to them.

I could tell you of many boys who have found the Lord at the Victory Service Center, but I shall let a few letters tell what the Center has meant to them.

A young Finnish man writes: "I cannot express how very much the Christian fellowship helped me in my pilgrimage for the Lord Jesus Christ. I received strength to confess Christ when I needed it the most. . . . The first time I stepped into the Service Center I knew it was the place for me and the answer to my problems. . . . In your



Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Anderson and daughter

chapel service I first confessed Christ before the world. Now I have no difficulty in confessing Christ to others. . . . This is my last liberty for another indefinite period of time. I am ready to leave the States, and better yet, I am prepared to leave this world and to meet my Maker."

From aboard ship comes this letter: "I surely appreciate your interest in my soul's salvation. Praise God, I can say everything is under the blood, and I'm on the victory side. Today (Easter) I can sing with the song writer, 'He lives within my heart.' Far from home and loved ones, I have found Him to be a real blessing to me and a wonderful help. . . . Had a good service aboard today. Thank God for a chaplain who knows and preaches the way of salvation."

A grateful relative writes: "It was with tears of rejoicing that I read your letter regarding my brother who accepted our Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour while at your center. Words fail me to express my appreciation to you for the work you are doing among servicemen, and most of all, that you have pointed my dear brother to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world."

Perhaps you have said, "I'd like to do something for our boys." You can! You can PRAY. You can GIVE! You can spread the news about the Victory Service Center. Do unto other boys as you would have others do unto your boy.

During the past four months, an average of nearly 6000 servicemen passed through the Center each month. An average of 495 attended chapel services. We are very happy to be able to report that 532 of them sought the Lord for salvation in the Center, either in the chapel or in the prayer room. Surely our labors are not in vain. May the Lord bless you all as you continue to pray for the Victory Service Center.

If we are not a blessing, we are a failure.

"Not good if detached" is good of church members as well as railroad tickets.

. No teacher can make scholars out of truants, and no preacher can make saints out of absentee members.

V-E Day has become a mighty springboard thrusting hundreds of thousands more servicemen through the Bay area into the great Pacific theater of war. This means that our servicemen's center and home here in Oakland will reach an increasingly large number of servicemen and women from now on until the bitter war with Japan is over.

So now is the time to get your cash in. Every dollar will now reach more souls. This is no time to slacken in this great work. It is a time to give MORE, not less, than before. Yet I am obliged to say that finances the past two months have been less than the required expenditure.

Many churches and individuals are to be commended for their loyal support of the servicemen's work here. This faithfulness is immensely appreciated by those of us whose responsibility it is to superintend the finances. If a few more would join hands with those of us who are already contributing each month, the whole load would then be easily met. We say "thank you and God bless you," to all who share with us in this great work of the Lord.

To our fellow pastors and sister churches may we humbly ask, "Is there something more you can do? Then let us all do our best, and nothing less.

Sincerely,

C. F. Ferguson, Finance Chairman.

#### On the Way to India

After spending several months at Central Bible Institute in language study, and being the directors of the Springfield Service Center, Brother and Sister O. L. Forth returned to the West Coast to make final preparations to leave for the mission field in South India. They have been in the Bay Area for the past few weeks holding interesting services and stirring young people to the need of consecrated workers in the service of the Master. Their plans are to leave May 30 for New York, and from there take passage by ocean liner for India. Their two children, who were left on the Coast with relatives while their parents were in Springfield for study, are accompanying them to the mission field.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

By Mrs. Bernice Mast, District Sunday School Representative

#### The Problem Adolescent Solved!

There is a prevalent feeling among some teachers of young people, that there are some adolescents that are not worth wasting one's time on, and that an adolescent is not to be trusted very far at any time.

It is true, there are problem adolescents—many of them these days! They have become the greater problem, however, because of "problem parents," "problem homes," and "problem teach-

ers" in our schools.

There is a sure cure for all problem adolescents, if you can get it to them or them to it. The cure is Christ. But—how to make the contact? Yes, there is an effective method for that also. A method that, if it is used strong enough and long enough, is bound to bring results. It is the tool that has made Christians out of criminals, strong men out of cowards, and great people out of foolish adolescents.

Love is that tool! Love is the hammer that will break the hardest heart. Ask God for love; a long-suffering, patient, understanding love for your problem adolescent. Doctor Sheldon says, "There is nothing in this world but what will yield if you put *enough* love into it."

The God-given love is never a compromising love wherein a teacher loves the foolish whims or desires of the adolescent; for a leader's standards and ideals must be high, safe, and steady for the sake of the young person.

One cannot successfully manifest a love for the adolescent and a mistrust at the same time. Mistrust has driven many an adolescent to unconcern and

careless, daring living.

The challenge and responsibility of your trust in an adolescent is like the steel railing in front of a dangerous precipice, or the danger sign near thin ice.

Young folks must know that you are "for them"; that you trust them;—or they'll never trust you.

If you feel like shaking an adolescent —let it be his hand you shake.

Airing an adolescent's faults never made them smell any sweeter.

Remember the value of the diamond is not in what it does, but what it is.

An adolescent cannot be self-controlled until he is Christ-controlled.

Never give an adolescent up until Christ gives him up.

When I see the mistakes they make, Or am bothered by what they do, Then I pray for patience, for Once I was an adolescent too.

#### Note

All the boys and girls who will be attending the meetings and classes on the campground are requested to bring their own scissors to camp this year.

The following verses are from the Bible and are good for you to know, but the letters of the words are all tangled up. See how many of them you can untangle.

1. Eb user oryu nsi ilwl nifd uyo tuo.

Num. 32.

2. Hewn etyh asw eht rats yhet jedicore itwh geexendic trage yoj. Matt. 2.

3. Isht si ym velbdeo nos ni mohw I

ma lewl dapeles. Matt. 3.

4. Sa eht yasd fo ohna reew os lahsl osla het moicgn fo hte osn fo nma eb. Matt. 24.

- 5. Olwolf em nad I liwl amke oyu sefhrsi fo nem. Matt. 4.
- 6. Fi yna anm lwil ceom freta em etl mih neyd silhemf adn kaet pu ihs scsoh dan lofwol em. Matt. 16.
- 7. Gdo si a ristpi nda hety hatt srowpih mhi tsmu wisphor imh ni tripis dan ni huttr. John 4.
- 8. Dsebesl rae het erpu ni ahetr ofr ehty alslh ese odg. Matt. 5.
- 9. Ertep idsa hout tra eht rstihc het ons fo teh vlingi ogd. Matt. 16.
- 10. Eht ptess for a ogdo anm rae droreed yb teh rold. Psalm 37.

Current Signs

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The seriously injured were numbered

at 1,923.

Bombers lost in action totaled 4,456.

The Air Wars

Some B-29 Superfortresses, which now are being produced faster than they can be used, are being placed in storage. Despite War Department denials, differences between the Russian Army and the U.S. Army Air Forces caused the shutting down of A.A.F. shuttle bases in Russia and the suspension of shuttle bombings. The last mission by the A.A.F. utilizing Russian bases was in September 1944. After months of indecision, the Army Air Staff finally has decided to go into mass production of a modified version of the B-32 Dominator. The plane's modifications are the result of a change in its essential mission against Japan.

A.A.F. Growth Since Pearl Harbor

Recently General H. H. Arnold, Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, made his annual report.

In the first year of the war the A.A.F. dropped 10,203 tons of bombs on enemy targets. In 1943 the total was 194,755 tons. But in 1944 the total reached 1,082,818 tons.

In the first year the A.A.F. flew 26,-900 sorties against the enemy. In 1943 it flew 364,910 sorties. But in 1944 the total was 1,271,784.

160-Ton Luxury Liners

That 400-passenger airplane we told you about last year is moving ahead toward reality, though instead of 400 passengers (it actually will have room for that many) it probably will be built to accommodate 204 passengers in luxury. But don't expect to fly in it next year.

Pan American Airways has announced that it has signed a contract for a fleet of perhaps fifteen.

Killings in America

We grieve over the fact that 150,000 American young men have been killed in this war thus far (Feb. 5, 1945), but do we realize that in the last ten years more than 100,000 American citizens have been murdered right here in America?

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work. It is interesting to note that years ago the work there was under partial home missions support. Pastor Savidge also reports: "Evangelist and Mrs. F. Wesley Pope have just concluded a three weeks meeting. . . We certainly enjoyed the ministry of the Word from Brother Pope and the splendid music of Sister Pope. We can heartily endorse them to

any of our churches."

RICHMOND — Brother John Bostrom spoke in the afternoon meeting, and Stanley McPherson brought the evening message at the April East Bay fellowship meeting held in Richmond. C. E. Persing is the pastor.

RIO VISTA-Pastor Blossom B. Gregorian reports that they have been having services in their new location since Sunday, April 8. Services are now held in the C.P.C. cannery cafeteria. We rejoice to see that the Lord is blessing the work in Rio Vista.

ROŠEVILLE - Evangelist Jack White closed a successful meeting there on April 29.

A. A. Lowe is the pastor.

SACRAMENTO (Bethel)-On April 15 Bethel Temple went on the air with two 15minute broadcasts on KFBK, at 7:30 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. Sundays. The fourth issue of the monthly church paper, "Bethel Temple Broadcast," had a circulation to 1300 families. The Sunday school attendance reached 400 on May 6. A full-time secretary and a full-time church visitation worker have been engaged to meet the increasing work. The church has purchased two lots to be used for a new building project. During the absence of Pastor Nelson, away for a vacation, his brother, Mark Hinman, supplied the pulpit. Evangelist Bostrom began a revival meeting on May 27. SAN FRANCISCO (Glad Tidings) —

Evangelist Don Mallough began a revival campaign Sunday, May 20. L. R. Keys,

SAN FRANCISCO (Sunset)—"A blessed fellowship meeting and dedication service of the Sunset Gospel Tabernacle was held May 14. A good number of friends from the various assemblies on the Peninsula gathered for the afternoon service at which time Brother Leonard Rogers from El Cerrito brought the message. The theme of the message was-'The seven results of our Justification' and one of them was Joy. We had some practical demonstrations of this result in the shouting that followed.

"In the evening Brother Gaston was the speaker in the C.A.'s rally, and brought a fine dedicatory message which gripped all of our hearts. After the message Brother Charles Weston, pastor of Bethel Full Gospel Church in San Francisco offered the dedicatory

"We are glad to report that God's blessing is resting on this new church in an ever increasing way." E. M. Johnson, Pastor.

SEBASTOPOL-The new church building, corner of Neva and Huntly Streets, was the scene of the North Bay fellowship meeting held May 21, at which time the dedication service was held. Pastor C. E. Persing of Richmond was the afternoon speaker.

Superintendent W. T. Gaston was the evening speaker at the service dedicating the new church. The ladies of the church served dinner at the American Legion Hall between the two services. E. L. Stewart is the pastor.

SUSANVILLE-Pastor George W. Kiser reports having good attendance during the

three weeks meetings held there by Rev. J. S. Jamison of Portland, Oregon.

TRINIDAD—The blessing of the Lord was enjoyed at the fellowship meeting of the Redwood District held there May 7. Pastor Elmer Shively of Fortuna brought the afternoon message, and Evangelist T. B. Don Carlos spoke in the evening service. H. H.

Teeters is the pastor.

UKIAH—Over 200 were served supper in the new 20 x 34 basement, which was dedicated at the fellowship meeting of the Lake-Mendocino section held there April 9. The basement was a project of the local C.A.'s who will use it for their activities. Brother R. E. Ray of Benicia was the afternoon speaker, and Brother M. P. Bohnet of Santa Rosa preached the evening sermon. Raymond P.

Murray is the pastor.

VALLEJO (Chabot Terrace) — Evangelist
Paul Pipkin began meetings May 6 with Pastor T. J. Custock, who reports the Lord's blessing in their midst in many souls being saved. Their Youth for Christ meetings held Saturday nights were having very good re-

WALNUT CREEK-After pastoring the church there for four and a half years, Brother Wilbur Oglivie has resigned. He reports that the church has enjoyed a continual revival during that time, about 150 having been saved, and around 100 having been baptized

with the Holy Spirit.
WINTERS—The Boardman Sisters held a revival meeting from May 6 to 13 at the Winters Farm Labor Center. This was the first week's meeting ever held in that community of 400 people. The meetings were well attended, and a number of souls were saved. The Boardman Sisters go to Seaside for meetings the end of May.

#### Wedding Bells

In a beautiful ceremony held in First Pentecostal Church, Oakland, Sunday evening during the service, Esther Ferguson, daughter of the pastor, was united in marriage to Sgt. Ralph G. Botkin of the U.S. Marine Corps. The bride's father officiated. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy T. Botkin of Grand Junction, Colorado. His father is a deacon in the Grand Junction church of which Brother Ferguson was formerly the pastor.

The young couple will make their home in San Diego where Sgt. Botkin is attached to the permanent personnel.

People of good taste never say bitter things.

#### Personal Mention

Evangelist and Mrs. E. WM. AN-DERSON have recently returned to the District after being in the north for a couple of months. They came from Longview, Wn. They recently held three weeks of meetings in Vancouver, B. C. in the First Pentecostal Church. Souls were saved practically every night and many were interested in the gospel. They started meetings in Los Banos May 20.

Evangelist T. B. DON CARLOS is at present holding meetings for Pastor EARL F. DAVIS in Tulare, California. \* \* \* \*

CECIL M. ROBECK, former pastor in Sausalito, is now the pastor in Bellview, Washington.

Evangelist F. T. and OLIVE AL-FORD held a revival campaign in Hanford, California, for Pastor Ed. Byram recently.

Brother and Sister ROBERT B. THOMAS are now in Los Angeles studying Spanish preparing to leave for Argentina as missionaries in a few months.

Chaplain JAMES A. DUGUID, according to the last word received from him, is in Italy. At that writing he was known as a Casual Chaplain in a replacement center, doing the work of a chaplain among the men, but as yet unassigned to a unit.

#### New Arrivals

A blossom blooms in Weed. She is little Elizabeth (Betty) May Brown, born April 30, 1945, into the family circle of Pastor and Mrs. Herbert W. Brown, and is their first daughter.

Added duties have come into the life of District C. A. Secretary Wesley P. Steelberg. He and Mrs. Steelberg, pastors in Nevada City, are the proud parents of a son born May 10, 1945. The little fellow will be known as Gary Wesley.

Pastor and Mrs. B. G. Syverson of Lovelock, Nevada, will be introducing a new son to their friends. Little Philip Gerald was born May 14, 1945.

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#### G.T.B.I. Alumnitems

It was my privilege to spend two days at the District Council meeting of the Southern California District in Los Angeles. While there I took the opportunity to contact a number of the alumni who were present. Here is a report of those I met:

Brother and Sister Robert Thomas are in Los Angeles studying Spanish with a private teacher in their preparations for leaving for the mission field.

Burton Pierce, with his wife, is now

pastor at El Monte, Calif.

Mrs. Maurine Bennet Isaacs, with her husband, has been pastoring in Compton, Calif., for the past year.

Sister Leona Goodpasture is helping Sister Emma Taylor in the church in

Long Beach, Calif.

Brother Edward Byram, who has been in Texas for several years, has been pastor in Hanford, Calif., since January.

Brother Warren L. Hill is now pastor in Whittier, Calif. Previously he had been in San Pedro for several years.

Brother Lagmay was in Los Angeles taking a course in a Baptist Seminary, and was about to finish his work there.

Sister Evangeline Radley Gaston and her husband are also attending school in Southern California.

No doubt there were other alumni at the convention, but these are those contacted.

RUBEN A. WILSON, President.

#### Itemized Bill

An artist was employed to renovate and retouch some oil paintings in an old church, and when he sent in his bill of \$31.99, was informed that an itemized bill was required.

Whereupon the following was duly

presented: For correcting the Ten Com-For renewing heaven and adjust-7.12 ing the stars ..... For touching up purgatory and 3.06 restoring the lost souls ..... For brightening up the flames of hell, putting a new tail on the devil and doing odd jobs for 7.17 the damned ..... For putting a new stone in David's sling and arranging 6.13 Goliath's head ..... For mending shirt of Prodigal 3.39 Son .....

\$31.99

G. T. B. I.

Student Editor, Lois Ebinger

#### The Students and the Radio Ministry

The vision of the potentialities of the radio ministry has been rapidly capturing the attention of the church. Glad Tidings Temple and Bible Institute have sensed the vast scope of this new field. So when the opportunity presented itself, a radio program was undertaken.

"Glad Tidings of the Air," as the program is called, began on the last Thursday in September, 1944. The program started with three stations on the Associated Broadcasting Corporation Network. The stations now number fourteen. God has blessed, and we trust He will continue to help us expand our boundaries. The broadcast now reaches into California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana.

Glad Tidings Bible Institute offers many opportunities to its students for practical experiences-and radio work is one. The musical portion of the program is supplied, mainly, by the students of Glad Tidings under the direction of Rev. Gaylord Atwell. The program goes on the air with the radio chorus singing "Redeemed." The radio chorus is composed of forty young people, all students. Special arrangements of the favorite old hymns are sung by the chorus with the girls' trio (Lois Wineberg, Avril Baker, Starling Avants) adding its melodic touch. Mary Hallock's beautiful contralto can be heard singing with a soft background of humming supplied by the chorus. The voices of Wanda Avants, Dean Duncan, and Mary Hallock are favorites of many. The Tidings Quartet (Ed Klinsky, Vernon Ragsdale, Dean Duncan, and Bud Gottschalk) occasionally is heard. The solos and duets of Dwight and Naomi Loofbourrow, two of the Temple young people, are always a blessing. In our closing theme "Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace," Avril Baker sings the solo part.

Rev. Leland Keys, vice-president of the Institute and one of the instructors, brings a brief, thought-provoking mes-

sage.

It takes much prayer, consecration, and practice to make the program a success. God has faithfully rewarded our efforts. Our vision is a coast-to-coast broadcast. God helping us, we will some day see that vision a reality. Remember our program in prayer.—L.E.

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Only melted gold is minted,
Only moistened clay is moulded.
Only softened wax receives the seal,
Only broken, contrite hearts—
Only these receive the mark
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L. R. KEYS

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- The District Council will convene Tuesday morning at ten o'clock for a devotional service at which time announcements will be made of committees for carrying on the necessary business of the District in strict conformity with government regulations.
- Missionary meetings will be held each morning from Tuesday to Friday of the first week.
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   Bring bedding, mattress also if possible. If you must ship bedding send it by Railway Express addressed to yourself,
   St. Helena Campground, St. Helena, California.